

Fiscal Estimate - 2015 Session

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Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

The bill expands the purposes for which the Department may utilize lake monitoring and protection grants, aquatic invasive species grants, and river protection grants.

Fiscal Effect

The net fiscal effect of the bill is neutral at both the state and local government level.

The bill would allow the Department to use up to 25% of amounts authorized for lake monitoring and protection grants, aquatic invasive species grants and river protection grants for contracts. By comparison, current law allows the Department to use up to 10% of lake monitoring and protection grants and aquatic invasive species grants for contracts. The proposed expansion would equate to an additional \$1,014,600 in potential contractual spending.

While the bill would reduce the total amount of revenue available to local governments and nonprofit organizations (grant sponsors) in the form of grants or aids, the contracts would either support or directly fund the same types of activities that are currently funded through grants. With the proposed increase the department would hire contractors to provide training, technical assistance, laboratory services and to purchase and distribute supplies and equipment to local governments and nonprofit organizations to survey lakes and streams for water quality and AIS. Local governments and nonprofit organizations may also be contractors. The change will also allow some sponsors that previously competed for grants to control established populations of AIS to receive direct reimbursement.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications